

Civil Term of Court.

The March term of Superior court for trial of civil cases will convene next Monday, March 21, Judge J. Bis Ray presiding. The calendar of cases can be seen elsewhere in this issue. The jurors, as drawn by the County Commissioners the first Monday in February, are:

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| E. T. Harrington | J. L. Pankey |
| J. L. Hardie | E. P. Powers |
| W. C. Meredith | Jno. H. Thomas |
| Jas. L. McDonald | J. B. Hooks |
| R. T. Gibson | C. A. Skipper |
| J. B. Goodwin | J. B. Bryan |
| T. M. Rose | T. B. Liles |
| J. W. Fletcher | J. K. Sinclair |
| J. M. Dockery | E. E. Ingram |
| W. B. Covington | W. M. Garner |
| J. G. Huguely | H. C. Parsons |
| S. E. Covington | Furman J. McLeod |

Terms of Court.

March 21, civil—Judge Ray.
April 11, criminal—Judge Ray.
May 30, civil—Judge Ray.
June 20, civil—Judge Ray.
July 18, civil—Judge Finley.
July 25, criminal—Judge Finley.

Registration Begin Monday.

The registration books for the school bond election for the town of Rockingham will be opened next Monday, and will close at sundown on April 2nd. H. L. Guthrie is the registrar. This is an entirely NEW registration for the town; therefore if you men and women wish to vote in the school bond election, you must register. (The women who registered last year for the election in November must not get the idea that that registration will enable them to vote this time. It will not; the registration must be entirely new, and for every one.)

The election takes place Tuesday, April 12th, and is on the question of issuing \$100,000 in bonds for erection and equipment of a new high school building.

Wrestling Match.

Manager Atkinson has signed up two wrestlers for a match at the Opera House on Friday night, the 25th.

Snake in Store.

J. A. Seawell found a yard-long Pilot snake under his refrigerator in his grocery store here Wednesday afternoon, and he quickly killed it. The reptile evidently had crawled from beneath the store through the drain-hole that permits the melted ice water to drip from refrigerator to the ground below.

Mr. Seawell has commented on the fact that he has not been bothered with mice or rats, and doubtless the presence of this snake, and probably snakes, accounts for it.

Municipal Election.

The biennial election for town officers will be held May 2nd. Apparently the local pot has not begun to boil. Nothing is heard of possible candidates for Mayor. Anybody got any names to suggest? If so, the paper will be glad to publish your suggestions under the "Public Pulse" column.

B. T. Payne Tuesday bought a Studebaker Light Six from West Bros.

Re-Districting the State.

The Legislature last week made a complete change in the Senatorial districts throughout the State. Many counties were changed and swapped about, and the author of the bill estimated that by the new arrangement the Republicans would possibly elect six Senators instead of the present number of eleven.

Richmond county was heretofore in a district with Chatham, Moore and Scotland, these four counties having two Senators. The new law puts Richmond county in the district with Scotland, Montgomery and Davidson. In other words the Republican county of Davidson, and the more or less close county of Montgomery, will be safely ballasted by the rock-ribbed Democratic majorities from Richmond and Scotland. These four counties will have two senators.

The new districts are:

First District—Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Hertford, Pasquotank and Perquimans counties shall elect two senators.
Second—Beaufort, Dare, Hyde, Martin, Pamlico, Tyrrell and Washington shall elect two senators.
Third—Bertie and Northampton shall elect two senators.
Fourth—Edgecombe and Halifax shall elect two senators.
Fifth—Pitt shall elect one senator.
Sixth—Franklin, Nash and Wilson shall elect two senators.
Seventh—Carteret, Craven, Greene, Jones, Lenoir and Onslow shall elect two senators.
Eighth—Johnston and Wayne shall elect two senators.
Ninth—Duplin, New Hanover, Pender and Sampson shall elect two senators.
Tenth—Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus and Cumberland shall elect two senators.
Eleventh—Robeson shall elect one senator.
Twelfth—Harnett, Hoke, Moore and Randolph shall elect two senators.
Thirteenth—Chatham, Lee and Wake shall elect two senators.
Fourteenth—Vance and Warren shall elect one senator.
Fifteenth—Granville and Person shall elect one senator.
Sixteenth—Alamance, Caswell, Durham and Orange shall elect two senators.
Seventeenth—Guilford and Rockingham shall elect two senators.
Eighteenth—Davidson, Montgomery, Richmond and Scotland shall elect two senators.
Nineteenth—Anson, Stanly and Union shall elect two senators.
Twentieth—Cabarrus and Mecklenburg shall elect two senators.
Twenty-first—Rowan shall elect one senator.
Twenty-second—Forsyth shall elect one senator.
Twenty-third—Stokes and Surry shall elect one senator.
Twenty-fourth—Davie, Wilkes and Yadkin shall elect one senator.
Twenty-fifth—Catawba, Iredell and Lincoln shall elect two senators.
Twenty-sixth—Gaston shall elect one senator.

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Twenty-seventh—Cleveland, Henderson, McDowell, Polk and Rutherford shall elect two senators.
Twenty-eighth—Alexander, Burke and Caldwell shall elect one senator.

Liquor Seized.

Sheriff McDonald, deputy Reynolds and Carl Shores on Thursday night of last week did some effective scouting in lower Steele's township. They were on a raid for a still, but when just across Mountain Creek bridge they saw two cars in front of them stop and a minute later start again. They searched the cars but found nothing, but going a short distance further they found eleven gallons of blockade liquor by the side of the road.

A few minutes later they met another car, and stopping it they found four gallons of whiskey. Bill Patterson, Jr., was driving the car and the other two occupants were Ralph LeGrand and Comar Steele, all colored. These the officers arrested. They went on four miles further in search of the still, but it had been moved that day. It was scarcely 75 yards above the road leading to the Stanback ferry.

The Patterson negro was turned loose that night under bond furnished by Mr. Geo. P. Entwistle, but the other two were brought to jail. U. S. Commissioner Guthrie gave them a hearing next day, Friday, and bound them to Sept. 20th term of Federal court, at Laurinburg. Bond was fixed at \$200 each. Mr. Entwistle stood Patterson's bond. Mr. Henry Coley stood the one for Comar Steele.

Metropolitan Report.

Elsewhere in this issue can be seen the business statement for the year 1920 for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, of which Mr. W. B. Head is deputy superintendent here at Rockingham.

Mayor and Magistrate.

Bud Henry was drunk and creating a disturbance at Steele's Mill on Monday of last week and was brought to jail therefor. He remained therein until Wednesday of last week when a hearing was had before Squire Barrett. The Squire fined him \$10 and costs, and imposed a suspended sentence of 30 days on the roads on him; in other words, should Henry within the next six months misbehave he can be arrested and sent to the roads on this suspended sentence.

On Thursday night of last week Squire Barrett taxed M. W. Blue with the costs for being intoxicated on the public highway.

R. C. Stevens and E. J. Frink were each taxed with the costs by Squire Steele on Saturday for allowing their cars to remain standing in the "parking" area of the town for longer than 15 minutes. The costs amounted to \$2.30 for each man.

W. H. Mills, white, was fined \$5 and costs on Thursday of last week for being intoxicated.

Mr. W. L. Parsons was named on Tuesday as a director for the State Hospital at Raleigh.

Caught In The Act.

Tom Luncford, a white youth aged about 19, is in jail for breaking into the J. F. Diggs store, in Wolf Pit, Saturday night.

Mr. Diggs had reason to believe that his store would be entered Saturday night, so he stationed Mr. T. R. Rainwaters therein to watch. About midnight a noise was heard at a rear window, of the iron bars being pried apart, and presently two fellows entered the darkened building. After getting inside, the second man remarked that he would go back outside and keep watch; he had a shotgun in his hand and crawled back through the window. Mr. Rainwaters then threw his flashlight on the man in the store, and ordered him to throw up his hands. The man, who proved to be Tom Luncford, did as ordered. He was then ordered to take his pistol from his pocket and throw it on the floor. Rainwaters fired twice in the air to summon help, and soon Mr. Diggs and others came and the prisoner was brought to Rockingham to jail. Squire Steele Monday bound him to April 11th term of criminal court under \$500 bond; he was unable to furnish this bond and so is now in jail.

There seemed to be three in the party, but the other two have so far not been apprehended.

LATER—On Tuesday night Sheriff McDonald crossed over into South Carolina, and with Rural Policeman T. C. Chavis he and officers went to the house of John Groom, about two miles east of Kollock and arrested there two brothers, Charles and Lonnie Chavis, aged 21 and 18. The two were brought to Rockingham and placed in jail to await a preliminary hearing. Luncford is said to have stated that Charles Chavis is the one who entered the store with him, and that Lonnie remained outside. The two young men deny any connection with the store breaking, however, and assert that they are entirely innocent.

These two Chavis young men will be given a hearing before Squire Steele on Wednesday, March 16th.

Constable Ed. Rogers on Wednesday afternoon arrested Luther Liles at the Diggs store, and found on his person a pistol. Luncford told the officers that he and Liles had entered the Diggs store the Saturday night previous. Liles is in jail awaiting a preliminary hearing.

Drunk and Down.

Officers were called to the public highway just across the creek from the Seaboard depot, Wednesday afternoon. They found Billy and Will Chavis, father and son, dead drunk in their Ford; also a gallon of white lightning. The two men were placed in jail, but were released about 9:30 Wednesday night after they had sobered. They will be tried Saturday afternoon on the charge of operating a car while drunk, and for being drunk.

HEALTH CERTIFICATES

Prospective Brides and Grooms Must Show Doctor's Certificate in Order to Get Marriage License.

Hereafter every bridegroom-to-be in North Carolina, when he applies to the Register of Deeds for a marriage license, must present a doctor's certificate showing he is free from venereal and from tubercular diseases in the infectious stages. The bride-to-be must show a doctor's certificate showing her to be free of tuberculosis.

The Attorney General has ruled that the county health officer (Dr. W. R. McIntosh, in Richmond county) must examine any applicant ON DEMAND, and if he finds them fit, must give the certificate WITHOUT CHARGE.

A copy of the new law that was passed by the Legislature last week, was received by Register of Deeds Robert L. Johnson Tuesday. A copy of the bill is published here in full:

The act reads: The general assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. No license to marry shall be issued by the register of deeds of any county to a male applicant thereof except upon presentation of a certificate executed within seven days from the time of presentation of said certificate to the register of deeds as hereinafter provided, showing the nonexistence of any venereal disease, the nonexistence of tuberculosis in the infan-

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A Peanut Case.

Frank Hightower and Lonza Atkins, two husky colored young men, are in jail here in default of \$100 bond, on charge of stealing a few peanuts from Mr. Nelson Gibson, in Beaver Dam township, on Wednesday morning.

Fire at Gin.

While in operation on Friday afternoon of last week, the Watson cotton gin caught fire. Either a match, or nail going through gin, caused the ignition. The flames spread rapidly over the loose cotton, but the quick use of chemical extinguishers and barrels of handy water soon put it out with only a loss of something like a thousand dollars. This is covered by insurance. The flames were out by the time the town fire truck arrived.

Tax Payers, Take Notice.

If you do not pay your taxes by April first your property will be advertised for sale and cost added. Please give this matter your prompt attention.

R. L. McDONALD, Sheriff.

Chickens and Neighbors.

As Spring approaches and people in Rockingham begin the planting of gardens, making flower beds and otherwise disturbing the earth, the annual cry against encroaching chickens is heard; and already The Post-Dispatch has received phone calls asking the paper to "say something" about this chicken evil.

But it should not be necessary to "say something". Any decent, self-respecting citizen will confine his or her chickens without waiting for a neighbor to complain. If your chickens are running at large about town and if you want to keep the respect and good will of your neighbors, then put them up, and waste no time in doing it.

Superior Court.

The County Commissioners last Monday transacted routine business; nothing of especial interest came before the body.

The following were drawn as jurors for the criminal term of Superior Court that convenes April 11th:

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| Billie Waddins | S D Townsend |
| John B Wilkes | Shaw Dawkins |
| W T Baldwin | W H Marks |
| W A Ingold | Luke Gibson |
| W F Beck | J R Ephland |
| M P McIntosh | W V Brown |
| J W Rankin | D L Culbertson |
| J W Maner | Jesse Meacham |
| B C Vuncannon | Z F Lovin |
| T B Andrews | E A Muse |
| A B Welch | F G Webb |
| J A McIntyre | B C Ellerbe |
| E P McLeond | Alex Covington |
| E S Luther | E L Sanford |
| F W Leak | Chas. White |
| J J Blalock | J T McLeod |
| W T Dorrity | H M Morse |
| T M Ledbetter | Robt. Terry |

Story of Our States.

The Post Dispatch has contracted with an agency for 48 one-half column articles, giving a brief sketch of each of the states of the Union. These will be published weekly, and if readers will clip these out and save them they will have a good historical outline of the various states. Another interesting feature in connection with these is the fact that each state's coat of arms appears with each article.

Five to Cang.

Five colored men were sent to the chain-gang Tuesday from Hamlet Recorder Court, with sentences ranging from two to six months.

March 4th it was last Friday—but to the Democrats it was March forth.

ZANE GREY

IN

"DESERT GOLD"

AT

STAR THEATRE

Friday, Mar. 11

Admission 20 and 30c.
Matinee 2:30; night 7

Door Locked---

To late after a fire to say
"If I only had!" Better be
prepared; better play safe. Don't
take the risk. Times are too hard;
money too tight; cotton too low. Keep
your house, furniture, barn insured. Get
in touch with us either by a postal or coming
to see us. We do the rest.

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Because your friends are more vitally interested in YOUR welfare than others can possibly be.
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